Maine Revised Statutes

Title 18-A: PROBATE CODE

Article:

§5-813. EFFECT OF PART

(a). This Part does not create a presumption concerning the intention of an individual who has not made or who has revoked an advance health-care directive.

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[ 1995, c. 378, Pt. A, §1 (NEW) .]
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(b). Death resulting from the withholding or withdrawal of health care in accordance with this Part does not for any purpose constitute a suicide or homicide or legally impair or invalidate a policy of insurance or an annuity providing a death benefit, notwithstanding any term of the policy or annuity to the contrary.

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[ 1995, c. 378, Pt. A, §1 (NEW) .]
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(c). This Part does not authorize mercy killing, assisted suicide, euthanasia or the provision, withholding, or withdrawal of health care to the extent prohibited by other statutes of this State.

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[ 1995, c. 378, Pt. A, §1 (NEW) .]
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(d). This Part does not authorize or require a health-care provider or institution to provide health care contrary to generally accepted health-care standards applicable to the health-care provider or institution.

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[ 1995, c. 378, Pt. A, §1 (NEW) .]
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(e). This Part does not authorize an agent or surrogate to consent to the admission of an individual to a mental health-care institution unless the individual's written advance health-care directive expressly so provides.

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[ 1995, c. 378, Pt. A, §1 (NEW) .]
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(f). This Part does not affect other statutes of this State governing treatment for mental illness of an individual involuntarily committed to a mental health-care institution.

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[ 1995, c. 378, Pt. A, §1 (NEW) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1995, c. 378, §A1 (NEW).
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